

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2004  
MILLENNIUM SCHOOL, CONFERENCE ROOM A  
7:15 A.M.**

**Members Present:** Christopher A. Romeo, Douglas Deschenes, Andrea Peraner-Sweet, Jim Silva, Diane Holmes, Scott Hazleton, Mary Trubey, Carl Lyman, Ann Eno, Bruce Caldwell, Lauren Coffey

**Absent:** Elaine Nickerson

**Non voting members present:** Chris Pude, Jennifer Burke

Announcements:

Mr. Romeo announced that Bill Coakley had passed away. There was an article in the Concord Monitor. There will be a service in Westford, but it has yet to be planned. Mr. Romeo shared how Bill was the reason for his involvement with the Affordable Housing Committee. Ms. Peraner-Sweet agreed that Mr. Coakley was a strong supporter and suggested that the Committee name the housing at the Stony Brook site after him. After the Westford Housing Authority and the Board of Selectmen vote to support it a resolution can be proposed at Town Meeting.

On a motion by Mary Trubey, seconded by Jim Silva, the Committee voted unanimously to ask Town Meeting for a resolution name the Stony Brook housing after William Coakley.

Minutes:

On a motion by Mary Trubey, seconded by Diane Holmes, the Committee voted 7-0-4 Carl Lyman, Ann Eno, Bruce Caldwell and Lauren Coffey abstaining to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2004 meeting as written.

VMC:

Ms. Peraner-Sweet announced that the developer presented the project to the Planning Board last evening. It was received favorably. The Planning Board has put it on the fast track. It has been rescheduled for its meeting on September 20, 2004. AT that time an approval with conditions is expected. We are hoping to see a ground breaking by the time the snow flies.

Tzikopolous:

It was announced that the purchaser of the Tzikopolous property has also purchased some quarry land owned by Merrill. It is rumored that a 40B is being proposed. Mr. Deschenes said that he represents the owner and a 40B is being proposed he will be looking to set up a meeting with the Town to discuss options.

Concord Place:

The re was a consensus amongst the Committee that the design was better and that the project is closer to the 40B performance standards. The applicant has also seemed to address some of the major ZBA issues. The Committee would still like to see the applicant work with the Town in regard to the Beaver Brook Road house and/or moving the house at 137 Concord Road.

On a motion by Ann Eno, seconded by Mary Trubey, the Committee voted 10-0-1 with Douglas Deschenes abstaining to support the amended comprehensive permit application for Concord Place with the caveat that the applicant work with the Town on the Beaver Brook Road house and/or special needs housing.

Beaver Brook:

Ms. Burke stated that she had spoke with Norman regarding this item. It appears Richard Lewis from Westford Realty has approached the Town claiming to represent the Labbes. He asked to meet with the BOS regarding this parcel. He may be scheduled for 9/14. Ms. Burke will check and report to the Committee.

New 40B:

Mr. Deschenes presented a piece of property off of South Chelmsford Road owned by Robert Hicks. He explained that he would like to work with the Town on this parcel to come up with a good design that works for Bob and the Town. He explained that there was prior proposal that could be used, but it may not be the best for the Town.

The Committee decided to form a subcommittee to work with Mr. Hicks on this project. The subcommittee includes Andrea Peraner-Sweet, Jim Silva, Lauren Coffey and Diane Holmes.

Meeting Dates:

The next meeting will be September 22, 2004 at 7:15 a.m. at the Millennium School, Conference Room A.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.